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Editorial Comment

Appomattox Has The Will To Develop and Grow

The "forward outlook" is manifest in our fine town of Appomattox. In social gatherings, we see citizens of a community pioneering for new enterprises, new stores, new institutions. Appomattox has had a rapid but a sound growth. And the big boom is still ahead. New homes will accomodate new families, and more people will mean new businesses and sounder condition for existing businesses.

The growth and expansion is not confined to the limits of the town. An astounding number of new families have purchased small farm properties in the county during the war years. We see new faces around town every week. Farm lands in Appomattox were never in a more prosperous condition.

So as we near the end of the year 1945, we can be thankful it brought our nation victory, brought many of our service men home, and saw our town and county rally to the challenge of progress.

Every indication is that the peak has not yet been reached. 1946 should see many more new homes constructed, and new businesses established. And many returning veterans will buy homes sites and small farms.

The most encouraging fact is that the town and county has the will to grow, and leaders anxious to promote every worthwhile development.

THE "ELECTRIC EYE"

Whatever happened to the "electric eye?" This mechanical device for testing the speed of passing cars did more toward making our state highways safe than anything else tried. During the war, shortages of police officers made it impossible to continue use of this device. But now that will be taken care of, and with speeding running wild again, it may be advisable to bring out these mirrored boxes!

FASCISM NOT DEAD

A great mistake is made by the individual who too closely associates fascism with the ruling element in Germany and Japan, and who now believes that because the war has been won, fascism is out of the way for good.

As a matter of fact, elements of fascism are present in all countries, and in many communities in each country. And wherever it rears its head, facism is an enemy of the common man. The word is still to be used, its concepts still to be fought.

Distribution of Wealth

From Winchester Star

Life insurance companies announce after a study that 45 per cent of all individual savings accumulated by Pearl Harbor belong to those whose incomes are under $7,000 a year.

Total accumulated individual savings during the war years are estimated at $192,000,000,000. Of this amount $59,000,000,000 belongs to families and individuals whose incomes are less than $5,000 annually. This is a sum greater than the total of liquid assets owned by all the people before Pearl Harbor.

AMERICAN LUCK

From Covington Virginian

Dorothy Thompson, one of our ablest American news commentators, has returned from abroad to write about American affairs critical of the most powerful power in the world at present, apparently doing nothing but taking positions from which she later retreat. And she blames it on merry American education.

The trouble with us, she says, is that we have become a people "without training in systematic thought, without historical sense, and without logic." We read carelessly, and live by trial and error —not by principle and hard thinking. We don't ask the right questions and in general are badly muddled. We don't learn by experience. We don't know what we want, but we're chasing it hard.

Well, Dorothy is probably right about us. And we don't seem much inclined to do anything fundamental about it. We mut keep muddling along.

How does some puzzled people will see enough in us to make masters of the world in most of its important branches [illegible] probably about half luck and the other half American Spirit. Rudyard Kipling, probably the keenest critic we ever had, concluded that this spirit would never die out. The last, "in spite of all the schools." And, we might add, in spite of our Comic Pages.

"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features

By NANCY PEPPER

GIDDY GADGETS

We don't see so much gadget jewelry now that you're up to your elbows in sterling silver bangles and bracelets, but, after a little special sleuthing, we're able to give with the goo on a few new gems for gadgeteers.

Pit Hits—The latest necklaces and bracelets are made of prune pits, painted in colors to go with your outfits. First wash and dry the pits, then bore holes in them, paint them and string them. Didn't mother always tell you that prunes would make you beautiful?

Good Luck — And you'll need it if you're taking exams. That's why you're wearing all kinds of good luck charms on ribbon necklaces. Rabbits' feet and elephants are said to be the most reliable. Ever try studying? That's good for your marks too.

Come Seven—One girl started a new earring fad in a Brooklyn high-school by gluing a pair of dice to earring screws. Good conversation pieces.

Two Dolls—Wear a tiny doll on your sweater. See that her hair matches yours.

Hunting License—These Wolf License pins are the big fad now all around the country. They have different styles for Wolves and Wolfesses (female of the species). Of course, you need more than a license for good hunting. The right bait and good aim help a lot.

You Wuv a Wabbit—And his name is "Harvey" from the play of the same name. You're buying Harvey pins at your favorite gadgeteria or you're making little rabbit pins out of yarn with pipe cleaners looped on either side of the head to represent ears. We saw one of these homemade jobs with a tiny, lace skirt. Very funny on a bunny.

TRIXIE TEEN SAYS—

So you've been playing one boy against the other? If ten you dare Bob you'll lose Bill is rushing you. If ben Bill calls, you chatter about the flowers and candy Bob sent you. Honestly, you never Rave but you Bore. Both boys are pretty well fed up on that diet of applesauce and baloney. If you think the way to keep an O.A.O. is to keep him jealous—you're making the mistake of your Love-Life.

Christmas QUIZ

1. The national Christmas tree of America is located in (a) Indiana, (b) New York, (c) California, (d) Texas.

2. The poinsettia plant owes its name to (a) Stanley Coulter, (b) Howard E. Enders, (c) James Madison, (d) Joel Roberts Poinsett.

3. Mothers in America are overwhelmingly agreed that they (a) should, (b) should not teach their children to believe in Santa Claus.

4. The nation's Christmas tree was dedicated on Christmas day (a) 1918, (b) 1925, (c) 1935, (d) 1940.

5. If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas day, there will be (a) good, (b) medium, (c) bad crops the following year.

6. A warm Christmas gives a (a) cold, (b) warm, (c) hot, (d) cool Easter.

7. There are (a) 4, (b) 100, (c) 450, (d) 800 varieties of mistletoe grown in the various parts of the world.

8. The mistletoe is the state flower of (a) Florida, (b) Delaware, (c) Oklahoma, (d) Mississippi.

9. New England mistletoe is so small that botanists overlooked it until (a) 1776, (b) 1871, (c) 1900, (d) 1939.

10. Rings of mistletoe were worn around the neck to prevent sickness in (a) Denmark, (b) France, (c) Spain, (d) Sweden.

ANSWERS:

1. (c) California.
2. (d) Joel Roberts Poinsett.
3. (a) Should.
4. (b) 1925.
5. (a) Good.
6. (a) Cold.
7. (d) 800.
8. (c) Oklahoma.
9. (b) 1871.
10. (d) Sweden.

Rating—80-100, a genius; 80-90, excellent; 70-80, good; 50-70, fair; less than 50, you be the judge.

Each correct answer counts a score of 10 points. Correct your own answers.

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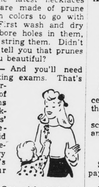
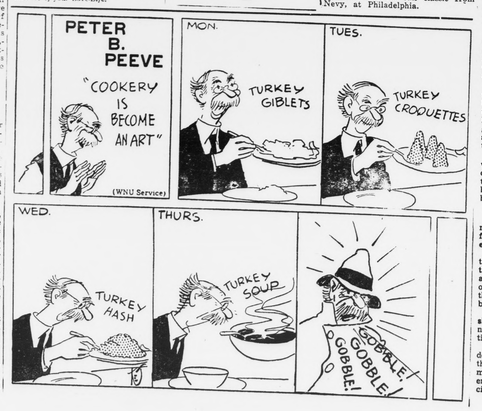
50 more Japs are ordered arrested by MacArthur.

Enemy property board resigns in Argentina.

British railroads took a heavy bomb pounding during war.

Search parties still rove over Pacific islands.





Allies Seize Huge German Dye Trust

Confiscation Is Ordered by Control Council.

BERLIN. — Allied confiscation of the billion-dollar I. G. Farben organization, greatest of Germany's industrial combines, was ordered by the four-power control council recently. It directed that some 300 Farben plants and its vast financial assets be seized at once.

Properties and funds of I. G. Farben, which ranked with such international industrial giants as Du Pont and British Imperial Chemical, will be taken over as reparations or for such disposition as the Allies see fit.

The control council also formally proclaimed the abolition of the National Socialist party and the labyrinth of Nazi bureaus and subdivisions which reviewed every phase of German life. The order prohibited any attempt to reform Nazi groups and provided for confiscation of all party funds, records and real estate.

Lt. Gen. Lucius Clay, U. S. deputy representative on the control council, said the seizure of I. G. Farben was agreed upon by the coordinating committee made up of American, French, British and Soviet representatives. The decision was unanimous and does not require formal council approval, he said.

The owners and stockholders of I. G. Farben, which produced a large portion of Germany's war materials, will receive no future profits from those plants which are still operating and there will be no compensation for the seizure.

Approximately three-fourths of the Farben German factories are still intact despite Allied bombing.

What United States Made For War on Axis Enemies

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The United States smothered its Axis enemies with 186 billion dollars' worth of weapons, equipment and supplies, not counting the atomic bomb, War Production Board Chairman J. A. Krug has revealed. The output included:

A fleet of 297 thousand military airplanes, of which 97 thousand were bombers.

Seventy-six thousand, four hundred and eighty-five ships — including 64,500 landing craft, 6,500 other navy ships and 5,425 cargo vessels.

Seventeen million, four hundred thousand rifles, carbines and sidearms; 315,000 pieces of field artillery and mortars; 165,525 naval guns.

Forty-one billion, four hundred million rounds of small arms ammunition; 4,200,000 tons of artillery shells.

Eighty-six thousand, three hundred thirty-eight tanks and 2,434,553 trucks.

Navy fire power increased tenfold in the five years. The merchant fleet was quadrupled.

The total output of goods (war and civilian) and services rose by more than 50 per cent, while the output of raw materials increased 60 per cent.

Employment in manufacturing alone increased by 6,407,000 persons from 1939 to 1944.

Krug said that while America's spending for war materials was enormous, it represented only two-fifths of the industrial output. The balance, he said, provided civilians "more commodities and services" than in "such good prewar years" as 1937 and 1939.

Early posting of holiday mail is requested.

Keep cutting pulpwood.

Redskins take lead in professional football league.

Army wins football classic from Navy, at Philadelphia.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D. Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Lesson for December 9

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THE CHRISTIAN'S PLACE IN THE LIFE OF HIS NATION
(Temperance Lesson)

LESSON TEXT: Matt. 5:13-16. 43-48; I Peter 2:13-17.

GOLDEN TEXT: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.—Psalm 33:12.

Men make up nations. Human beings in a land like ours determine by their interests and attitudes the direction in which the entire social order moves. That in turn determines what kind of government we have.

If the totalitarian philosophies have colored our thinking, and caused us to forget the importance of the individual in the life of our nation, let us turn at once to the right view.

Particularly important is the bearing which individual Christians can and should have on our national life. We have tended to draw back and fail to use the power and position which we have by God's grace.

Nowhere does that show more than in our failure (perhaps one should say shameful failure!) to bring Christian principles to bear upon the appalling liquor problem. This is temperance Sunday. Do not fail to stress that phase of Christian citizenship today.

How should Christians make their influence felt in the nation? By being what they ought to be and contributing to its life. Note these things in our lesson—the Christian gives:

I. Salt (Matt. 5:13).

We are the salt of the earth, and the pungent savor of Christ is to be evident in us as we touch life round about us—in the church, in the home, and in the nation.

True salt is antiseptic and purifying. It fights corruption wherever it is found. How effective the spiritually salty Christian and church should be against the corrupt political system, the liquor industry, vice and sin of all kinds. Have we lost our savor (v. 13)?

II. Light (Matt. 5:14-16).

A light is intended to give illumination to all round about it. It always does unless someone hides it under a cover, and then it becomes not only useless but dangerous.

A life lighted by faith in Christ will shine to the very ends of the earth and, as a missionary once said, "The light that shines farthest shines brightest at home."

We are the light of the world, but if we cover our light we deny the very essence of our natures. Here is no thought of proud or selfish display. Light does not shout about itself, it just shines.

Who will deny that there is need of some real spiritual light in some of the dark corners of our national life? Who is to shine in such places but you and me, fellow-believer?

Then, too, let us not forget that God has sent us out to light other lights. We can best serve our nation, and best meet the challenge of liquor by turning men to Christ.

That doesn't mean that we should neglect other "good works," but it is well to keep "first things first."

III. Love (Matt. 5:43-48).

"Love your enemies" (v. 44); that is the standard which Christ has established for His followers. While the love one has for the brethren is without doubt a more intimate relationship than the love one may have for an enemy, we must not seek to minimize the real love we should have even for those who curse and revile us.

It is to move us so deeply that we not only treat them kindly, but also pray for them. Humanly speaking such a thing is impossible, but in Christ it is not only possible, it has actually been demonstrated in life.

It is so easy for Christians to speak with derision that borders on hatred about "the devil's gang," and to lose all love for the crowd that hangs around the tavern and the gambling house. Let us hate their sin, but may God help us to show that we really love them.

Love will do more to reach the world for Christ, and more to direct our national life into right channels than any other influence we can bring to bear. Let us do all we can, but let us do it all in love.

IV. Loyalty (I Pet. 2:13-17).

The loyalty of the Christian to right authority should be glad and free, not by necessity or by coercion.

The believer will see in all men the image of God and will honor them even though he may not be able to respect or approve their way of life. The dignity and position of the individual is always recognized by Christianity.

The brotherhood of true believers should call forth a peculiar love. We need to renew that brotherly affection between believers.

Fear of God, that is, the desire to do His blessed will, shows itself in the best kind of citizenship. Government would serve itself well if it encouraged every effort to win its citizens to Christ.

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...g, Dec. 4—Rev. J. How... is recovering, in ... Bedford from an appen... His pulpit was filled here ... Mr. Wilson, dean of ... Sidney College. He made ... for a contribution for ... This cause is being ... all over the state at this ...

...Hix of Westhampton ... Richmond spent the week-... Jessie Carson.

...lin Carson and Mrs. C. B. ...ge Jessie a birthday par... ...day night. Quite a num... ...young people gathered ... a good time.

...E. Gilliam, of Lynchburg ... the week-... ...ston Marshall and Mrs. E. ...on Sunday.

...Sears and R. W. Bristow ...ains in the home of J. R. ...Sandy P. M.

...and Emily Featherston ...ther guests of Mrs. San... ...on Sunday.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Dec. 4—Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Dean, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Almond.

Miss Virginia Shirey, of Richmond spent several days of last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Shirey.

Miss Hazel Moon, of Richmond spent last Friday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Moon.

Miss Susie T. Davidson, who is suffering from in uries received in a fall, is improving.

G. R. Collins, who has been sick, is improving.

"Sonny" Martin, who has been ... Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Millner are the proud parents of a baby boy.

The Spout Spring hom... demonstration club met Wednesday in the home of Mrs. L. E. Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Hancock Frazier, of Altavista, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dickerson.

May Tear Down Fuehrer's Lair

Fear Retreat Might Become Symbol of Nazi Spirit That Ruined Reich.

By PAULINE FREDERICK
(WNU Staff Correspondent)

If you have been to Berchtesgaden since the war ended, you will understand why there is talk of destroying Hitler's eagle's nest perched atop the highest alp in that area, as his house and that of Goering and Bormann are being destroyed. The wreckage will be leveled. Only it will be a much harder job.

I have just been to the eagle's nest and I can tell you at first hand why there is some apprehension about it.

The eagle's nest is the retreat der Fuehrer had built for himself on a point 5,000 feet high. It is made of the solid stone of the Bavarian mountain on which it is anchored. To reach it, you go up a precipitous winding road. Himmler's Mercedes, with its top speeds forward, in which I was traveling, gave out and spurted steam and water a third of the way up. A jeep that picked me up at that point stopped, too, a little later, but we finally arrived at our destination with the aid of a second jeep.

Tunnel Solid Rock.

You first reach a tunnel more than a hundred feet deep into the solid rock and guarded by huge bronze doors. It leads to a double-decker elevator that rises 500 feet through a shaft bored through the rock to the eagle's nest. The top cage of the elevator—a bronze section with a circular mirror on the back wall and leather-cushioned bench around the walls—was for Hitler. A trap door in the right hand corner as you enter was for the SS men to drop down into their cage below, which was white-washed like a cell. When the elevator reached its destination at the top of the mountain—the SS got out on the ground floor and Hitler entered his living quarters on the first floor. From the view you get at this height, despite the fact that the house itself and the furnishings—what have been left by the G.I. souvenir hunters—are unattractive —is enough to give anyone delusions of grandeur.

I stood on the narrow terrace looking out over the breath-taking scene talking with one of the American guards. It was what he told me that made me realize that some day the eagle's nest might have to be destroyed.

Hitlerism Not Dead.

The guard told me that two SS men had just been arrested up there. That surprised me very much, and I remarked that they might have known there was a good chance of being caught if they came around a place like that. "Why would they do it?" I asked the guard.

His answer startled me. "This is still a shrine to many Germans," he said very seriously.

Then he pointed down the hill to Hitler's guest house just back of his house that had been bombed, too. Germans were repairing it for a barracks for occupation forces.

"The Germans we put to work down there, work as they work no place else—they never lose a second," the guard said. "Why—because they can see the eagle's nest from there."

It is true that it is almost impossible to find a German in Germany who ever admits being a Nazi. From these two incidents, it would seem to be true also that the spirit of Hitlerism is not dead in Germany. That is why the things that remind the people of Hitlerism at the height of the fuehrer's glory may have to be destroyed so they will not become symbols of that spirit which has to be done away with if a new Germany is to come out of the war.

Cub Creek

Cub Creek, Dec. 4—Thanksgiving was quiet in our neighborhood There were a few visitors in some of the homes, and some hunters were out, but a few birds and rabbits were their only game.

Mrs. A. B. Hunter, Mrs. George Shreve, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fleshman spent Tuesday in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T Paulette and children, of Richmond visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Paulette recently.

Walter Smith, of Gladys was a visitor in the home of Thornton Fore and S. T. Paulette last week.

Rev. James Thompson will fill his regular appointment at the Concord Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Roach Watson, of Darlington Heights visited her mother, Mrs. W. D. Hunter Sunday afternoon.

Miss Lena Hunter, of Lynchburg is spending a few days in the home of her mother, Mrs. A. B. Hunter.

A number of friends and relatives of this community attended the funeral of Mrs. Susie Fore Saturday afternoon at Chap.

Mrs. W. D. Hunter, Jr. and children, of Princeton, W. Va. spent a few days last week in the home of W. D. Hunter. They were on their way to Maysville, S. C., where they will stay for several weeks with Mrs. "Doc" Rhodes.

The Oak Grove home demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. C. M. Nash last Thursday, with a good attendance. Mrs. B. G. Anderson gave a demonstration on salads and there was an exchange of Christmas gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hamilton and daughter, of Roanoke spent a few days last week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hunter.

George Shreves attended the funeral of his brother in Danville Sunday.

W. H. Ferguson is staying with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Fleshman a few weeks.

Willet Fleshman spent Sunday in the home of his son, O. F. Fleshman.

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